JENNINGS COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING JULY 10, 2018 7:00 P.M.

Josh Yeager Absent

Meeting opened with President, Mike Kelley, leading the pledge to the flag.

Tony Eder made a motion to approve the prior minutes; Larry Maschino seconded the motion and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Auditor Vance informed the Council that Greg Martin, County Park Director, had emailed her that afternoon requesting to be removed from the agenda as bids had come in too high.

With no other person on the agenda, the Auditor explained the additional appropriation presented to the Council for approval. As had been discussed at the last Council meeting the EMA department did not have enough funding for their budget. The Council could choose to bring the budget into the General Fund or the LIT Fund. What is needed for the remainder of 2018 is \$62,000.

After some discussion, Dave Woodall made a motion to fund the EMA department out of LIT; Tony Eder seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Auditor Vance stated she would have Ellie Bright, County Attorney, prepare a resolution for the Council to sign; stating the EMA budget will going forth be funded out of LIT.

Howard Malcomb made a motion to approve the Election Office request of additional \$12,750 funds to be taken from the General Fund; Larry Maschino seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The Council approval the additional appropriation for the following departments: Election Office, \$12,750, EMS \$18,000 and Campbell Twp. Fire Station \$50,000.00.

Auditor Vance submitted a request from Animal Control to transfer \$700 from their trash removal line 31005 to their Building and Repair line 41100 so they can have concrete put around the perimeter of the fence line to prevent some of the dogs from digging out.

Howard Malcomb made a motion to allow the transfer of funds for Animal Control; Tony Eder seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Sheriff Gary Driver addressed the Council about a Second Amendment to Jennings County Police Retirement Plan. Sheriff Driver said basically the amendment is clarifying that when a police officer

retires and takes a buyout that the money is considered a stipend and is not added onto his salary at the end of the year. Sheriff Driver needs the President of the Council's signature then he will send it to Stan Brown at One Beacon to have on record with the retirement plan.

Larry Maschino made a motion to allow Mike Kelley to sign the amendment; Tony Eder seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Next Sheriff Driver informed the Council that his report writing system is near to being gone as the company has been sold and the people who are trying to keep it functioning are working out of a garage. He has spoken with a company out of Ohio Spillman, which has an excellent system but is expensive and it is based on a per user rate. Although 911 and the City use this system too, the Sheriff department and the Jail are the biggest users. The system cost is \$500,000 and the Sheriff's cost will be \$300,000. Sheriff Driver knows things are tight but without this system his departments cannot communicate with 911 and the City police department.

Paul Belding asked where the county was on the new jail project. Dave Woodall stated that the Regional Jail Feasibility study was completed and the results and recommendations will be presented on July 26th at 5:30 p.m. prior to the regular Commissioners meeting. This will be a joint Council and Commissioner Special Meeting for the presentation.

After some more discussion, Larry Maschino made a motion to adjourn and Dave Woodall seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Attest:

Kay Sue Vance, Auditor

Mike Kelley, President

Dave Woodall, Vice-President

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